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The Honourable Brad Johns, M.L.A.
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Dear Mr. Johns:

As you are aware, the blockade as a result of Freedom 2022 protestors in Ottawa continues and has necessitated extraordinary police action. It is my understanding that Chief Superintendent Chris Leather, Acting Commanding Officer in Nova Scotia, has been in contact with you in relation to this matter. The purpose of this letter is to formalize previous communications on this matter.

In view of the above circumstances and the time and efforts that may be required before this matter is resolved, I am invoking subarticle 9.4 of the Nova Scotia Police Service Agreement (PSA), which allows me to temporarily redeploy up to ten per cent of the members from the Nova Scotia Police Service to the extent necessary to maintain law and order, and to ensure the safety of persons and property in the affected communities.

The actual time and number of resources deployed from the Nova Scotia Police Service will be determined in consultation between you and the Commanding Officer of "H" Division in your province.

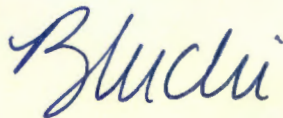
In accordance with the terms of the PSA, Canada will assume all costs related to the redeployed members, including salaries, transportation and maintenance. All salary costs will be deducted from the overall expenditures of the Nova Scotia Police Service, based upon the length of time the members were absent from their home units. A detailed accounting of all redeployed provincial members

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will be maintained by the Commanding Officer of "H" Division in your province and will be provided to you at the conclusion of any such redeployment. I will endeavour to keep you informed with respect to the duration of any deployment that may take place. Should the deployment extend beyond 30 consecutive days, you will be promptly notified in order to prepare for consultation to examine whether measures are being taken to resolve the emergency without undue delay and without unduly affecting the services provided in your jurisdiction.

I would like to take this opportunity to express my appreciation for your cooperation in assisting in this matter and trust that this correspondence will prove sufficient to obtain your support. Let me assure you that the RCMP will continue to ensure the safety and security of the citizens of Nova Scotia at all times while your members are redeployed.

Kindest regards,



Brenda Lucki
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c.c.: Chief Superintendent Chris Leather
Acting Commanding Officer, "H" Division